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Military Information from Altenburg

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1. On 26 April 1951, about 20 Stalin tractors were seen at the Artillerie Kaserne in Altenburg (C 51/K 27). The occupation of the installation had not changed up to 6 May.

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The new officers' billets on Leipziger Strasse were occupied by not less than 50 officers, including about 10 field-grade officers with their families. The billets contained 55 apartments.

2. On 6 May, the Infanterie Kaserne still quartered two units totaling about 600 troops, about 40 percent of whom were recruits. The personnel of both units wore red-bordered black ensulets, some with artillery insignia. All barracks buildings were occupied to capacity. Long-barreled guns, apparently AT guns, were still seen in the garages.

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* Comment. [redacted] elements of the 43d Gun Arty Brig, the 38th AT Arty Brig, and the 13th AAA Div are stationed in Altenburg. [redacted] However, the distribution of these units in the two barracks installations has not been determined. According to a previous report [redacted] units from the Artillery Kaserne with heavy guns and prime movers were loaded on five trains for shipment to Ohrdruf between 24 and 26 April 1951. [redacted] The present report contains no indications regarding the departure of these units.

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